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HEMATOPOIETIC CELLS (as amended)

**Continuation Prosecution Application
Amendment and Reply**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action, having a mailing date of October 10, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit this Continuation Prosecution Application and accompanying Amendment and Reply. A Notice of Appeal was filed on September 4, 2002. A Petition for a 4-month extension of time and requisite fee are included. In view of the following amendments and accompanying remarks, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.

Kindly amend the subject application as described below.

In the Specification:

The "Cross-Reference To Related Applications" at page 1, has been amended to read as follows:

This application is a continuation of United States Application 08/444,627, filed May 19, 1995, now abandoned, which is a divisional of United States Application 08/243,545 filed May 11, 1994, now allowed and issued as U.S. Patent No. 5,554,512, which is a continuation-in-part of United States Application 08/209,502 filed March 7, 1994, now abandoned.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 1-8.